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Near Menck's Corner
Berkeley County
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"Comingtee"

~~Pine Grove~~ Vicinity ~~Comingtee~~ Hill,
Berkeley County
South Carolina

Present Owner: Reginald Fincke

Date of Erection: 1738

Architect: Not given

Builder: " "

Material: Wood and Brick

Present Condition: Good

Number of Stories:

Historical Data:

John Coming of Devonshire and Affra Harleston of Ireland were married in the colony and had grants of land on the White Point where the East and West Branches of the Cooper River flow together. They died childless and the property descended to their two nephews, Elias Ball, Mr. Coming's nephew and John Harleston who was a nephew of Mrs. Coming. These spread their plantations until before 1860, they made the river and branches a sort of aqueous family tree of their tribes.

In 1738, Elias Ball, the first (there are now fourteen) built a substantial brick house across the end of an old wooden one. The last has disappeared long ago, but the brick one "restored" over 30 years ago still retains the handsome woodwork the first Ball placed in it.

There is some evidence that the name of the house may have been taken from Coming's native Devonshire village, Combe-in-Tene.

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